

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Stewart	
Application No.: 09/751189	Group Art Unit: 2157
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Title: Network Protocols for Distributing Functions within a Network	Examiner: Jacobs
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of January 31, 2006, entry of the below response is respectfully requested pursuant 37 C.F.R. §1.116(a):